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For:

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SUBMISSION OF PAPERS FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a) AND PETITION FEE AUTHORIZATION FOR PAPERS FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

Enclosed are the following papers for the above-identified application.

- 1. A "Declaration and Power of Attorney" form for Checkpoint Inc. joint inventors Gallagher, Salesky and Inui. Each of these inventors also signed for nonsigning inventor Benedetti.
- 2. A Declaration for Microchip Technology Inc. joint inventors Alexander, Furey and Lee. Each of these inventors also signed for nonsigning inventor Benedetti.
 - 3. A Power of Attorney By Assignee for Microchip Technology Inc.
- 4. A Statement of Facts in Support of Filing on Behalf of Nonsigning Inventor Benedetti (37 CFR 1.47(a)).

The Petition Fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(i) is to be paid by charging Account No. 50-1017 (209870.0015) the sum of \$130.00. A duplicate copy of this petition is attached.

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Respectfully submitted,

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STATEMENT OF FACTS IN SUPPORT OF FILING ON BEHALF OF NONSIGNING INVENTOR (37 CFR 1.47(a))

This statement is being submitted for the above-identified application.

This statement is made as to the exact facts that are relied upon to establish the diligent effort made to secure the execution of the declaration of the nonsigning joint inventor Riccardo Benedetti (hereafter, "Benedetti") for the above-identified patent application.

IDENTIFICATION OF PERSON MAKING THIS STATEMENT OF FACTS

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LAST KNOWN ADDRESS OF NONSIGNING INVENTOR

Full name of nonsigning inventor: Riccardo Benedetti

Last known address: 3312 Avalon Court, Voorhees, NJ 08043-4642

(residence)

c/o Fam. W. Burger, Stadacherstr. 42, CH-8320 Fehraltorf, Switzerland

(other address at which Benedetti might be reached)

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DETAILS OF EFFORTS TO REACH NONSIGNING INVENTOR

At the time in which the present application was ready for filing, a representative of Checkpoint, Inc., joint inventor William Gallagher, informed me that Benedetti was no longer in communication with Checkpoint, Inc., the entity who retained him develop portions of the claimed invention. I was also informed by Gallagher of the last known address that was in Checkpoint's files, namely, the Voorhees, NJ address stated above. Gallagher also informed me that it was his understanding that Benedetti is no longer in the United States and could not be reached at the Voorhees, NJ address. Accordingly, the application was filed without inventor signatures and the following attempts were made to obtain Benedetti's signature shortly after the application was filed.

- 1. On January 4, 2000, I mailed a letter to Benedetti's last known address (Voorhees, NJ) by Certified Mail and First Class Mail. The letter was accompanied by a copy of the application and a Declaration & Power of Attorney for his signature. Both packages were returned to us unopened by the U.S. Post Office. Appendix A is a copy of the letter. Appendix B is a copy of the First Class Mail envelope returned by the U.S. Post Office. Appendix C is a copy of the Certified Mail envelope as returned to us unopened by the U.S. Patent Office. This envelope states that Benedetti's forwarding order expired.
- 2. On or about February 4, 2000, I was informed that Benedetti told joint inventor Inui that he could be reached at the Swiss address listed above (presumably the Burger residence). On February 4, 2000, I mailed another letter to Benedetti at that address via DHL Worldwide Express. That letter also was accompanied by a copy of the application and a Declaration & Power of Attorney for his signature. According to DHL records, this package was signed for by a person named "Burger" on February 7, 2000. Appendix D is a copy of the February 4 letter. Appendix E is a copy of the DHL label.

To date, no communications were received from Benedetti in response to the letter of February 4, 2000. Nor were any other communications received from Benedetti regarding this matter.

February 28, 2000 (Date)

(Signature of person making this statement)

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APPENDIX A

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Re:

New U.S. Patent Application entitled "ANTICOLLISION PROTOCOL WITH FAST READ REQUEST AND ADDITIONAL SCHEMES FOR READING MULTIPLE TRANSPONDERS IN AN RFID SYSTEM"

Our File No. 209870.0015/015US

Dear Dr. Benedetti:

You were named as a joint inventor of the subject matter set forth in the claims of the above-identified application. Accordingly, it is necessary for us to try to obtain your signature on a joint inventor Declaration and a joint Assignment.

Enclosed are the following documents:

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- 3. An Assignment of the invention to Checkpoint, Inc.

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Please read, sign and date the Declaration and Power of Attorney form. The Declaration should be signed exactly as your typed name appears. Please also fill in your current residence, post office address and citizenship below your name.

You should then execute the Assignment before a notary who should notarize your signature. The Assignment should be executed <u>after</u> the Declaration is signed. Please also fill in your post office address and citizenship on the Assignment. If, for any reason, you object to signing the Assignment but agree that you are joint inventor of the claimed invention, then please sign the Declaration & Power of Attorney form and let us know what your objection is to the Assignment.

After the two formal papers have been signed, please return them to us for filing in the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office. A stamped, self-addressed envelope is enclosed for this purpose. Please retain the application (item 1 above) for your records.

The address listed above is the last known address for you in the records of Checkpoint, Inc. Our understanding is that you may no longer be at that address. If you receive this correspondence, please also advise us of your current mailing address.

Please return the signed formal papers to us by **January 21, 2000.** Please contact us if you cannot meet that deadline.

Sincerely,

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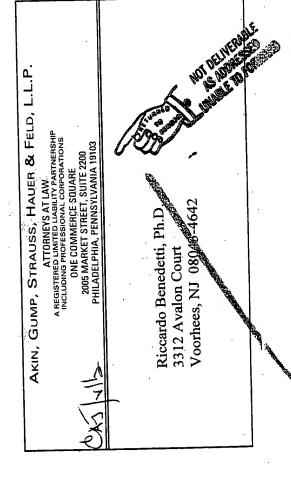
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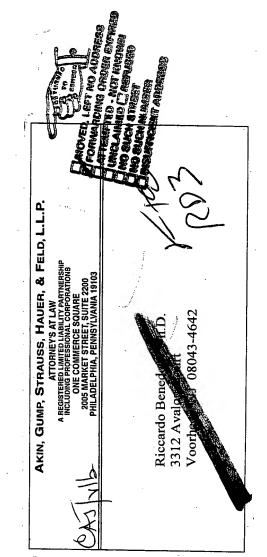




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Sincerely,

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